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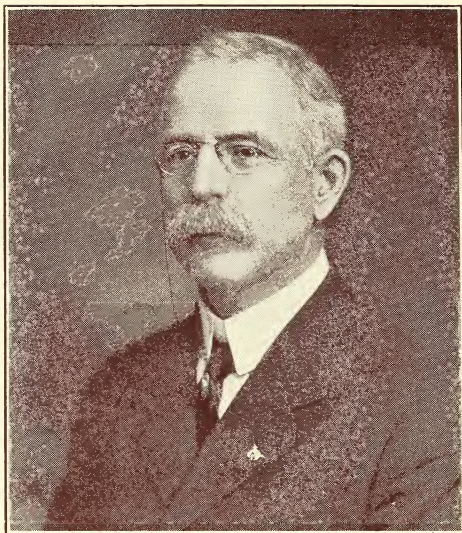
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HARDY MINNESOTA GROWN PEONIES
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HOW TO GROW THEM SUCCESSFULLY



A PROFITABLE AND
INTERESTING HOBBY

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W. M. STONE

Foreword

IN presenting this modest catalogue, I am hopeful that it will get into the hands of peony lovers who are desirous of making a collection of peonies or those who are contemplating the planting of peonies for the first time.

Let me assure you that in planting the peony you can make no mistake, as it is without question one of the most satisfactory perennials grown. With but little attention they will give you a wealth of bloom from year to year that is most satisfying. In the month of June the peony vies with the rose for popularity, and due to its massive boldness and the charming color in landscape it produces, can well be called the king of flowers. While the rose can never be displaced, it can be equalled in beauty, and far excelled by the peony in the lack of attention necessary to bestow upon it, and the most satisfactory results obtained. Those of you who do not know its beauty and the ease with which it produces its lovely flowers, give it a trial, which we assure you is all that is necessary to make you a peony convert.

I make no claim of possessing all the varieties offered by some of the various peony growers, but during the past several years I have made a careful and painstaking study of the peony and have assembled what I consider a very representative collection of some of the very best peonies grown at prices within the reach of all. Great care has been exercised to see that the collection offered covers the widest range of coloring and season of bloom.

To our splendid list of satisfied customers, we want to add many new ones this coming season. You can place orders with me with full assurance of as careful treatment as though you were to present them in person, as each one will have my individual attention from the time they are received until your peony roots are packed ready for shipment. To all former customers who receive this catalogue, we solicit your continued patronage, and it will be our aim at all times to accord you such treatment as to warrant repeat orders.

I am continuing to offer my favorite combinations, with few slight modifications that I have made to improve them, with the

full conviction they will give you beautiful planting of peonies that will be the envy of the neighborhood. The price of these collections is only a portion of what you would be compelled to pay for ONE of the very new productions, and in the twenty-four varieties offered will be found all that could be desired in coloring and the season of bloom has been selected to cover early, midseason and late blooming periods.

To reach the Gardens from Minneapolis, take the Lake Regions Highway via Robbinsdale going west through Rockford, Buffalo and Maple Lake. Leave the highway one mile west of Maple Lake by turning to the right, go 5 miles northwest to cross roads, or Schneider's corner, turn to left, go 1 mile to little white church, turn to left $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to Cedar Lake. We are just west of Mears resort. Can also be reached via Annandale. We are 5 miles northeast.

If you are not interested in the purchase of peonies, we would consider it a favor if you would hand this catalogue to some flower-loving friend, as we feel it has a message that will be of interest.

W. M. STONE,
Peony Gardens,
Annandale, Minn.

Member "The American Peony Society"

The Modern Herbaceous Peony

IS one of the most magnificent herbaceous plants, one of the most hardy plants known, and the Minnesota grown are among the best. It is especially good for cut flowers or landscape effects, having all the tints of the rose, greater range of types, more magnificent, has the fragrance, and is more beautiful, very hardy, takes very little care, long lived, as they are free from pests.

Everybody loves the Peony, it is in every garden, and may be seen as a single clump beside the doorway of the humblest cottage, or the prize collection in the amateur garden where en masse, the different colors in blooming time would be worth going miles to see.

Peony growing is interesting, fascinating, inexpensive, and healthy work. A man who works hard at his business should have a hobby; the harder he works at his hobby the harder he can work at his business. I do not know of anything that will give him the interest Peonies will. There are so many varieties represented by the different types, and the varied tints of the different colors, make a fascinating study that charms and delights. You can go as far as you like and never tire; it will hold you.

Although you may get bloom the first June after fall planting, it requires two to three years for the roots to become permanently established and get the true bloom, many fine double varieties may throw single or semi-double blooms, making comparisons or taking notes are not authentic until that time.

The symposium sent out by the American Peony Society to eighty Peony growers, has cut down the list of varieties 350 by eliminating the synonyms and Peonies rated less than six, which were considered worthless to grow any longer, that still leaves enough varieties to make it confusing for the novice to select Peonies of merit, it is a mistake to think all the best Peonies are of recent origin, and therefore high in price, some of the old sorts which have been on the market half a century are still the best selling varieties. Good old Festiva Maxima, 70 years old, still rates 9.3 out of a perfect 10. Her majesty Baroness Schroeder used to sell for \$5.00, now sells for \$1.50, and a wonder.



ROSE TYPE

SIX POINTS OF EXCELLENCE

In judging Peonies for exhibition, the six points of excellence as suggested by the directors of the "American Peony Society," are as follows:

Color	20 points
Size	20 points
Stem, including length, strength and foliage.....	20 points
Form	15 points
Substance	15 points
Fragrance	10 points

100 points

PEONIES ARE CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

Semi-Double. Those with several rows of wide petals, and a center of stamens and partly transformed petaloids.

Crown. In this type wide petals are developed in center of flower, forming a high crown, with the narrow short petals forming a ring or collar around it, often the crown and guards are of the same color, the collar another of lighter shade, see illustration on page 16.

Bomb. The next step in which all the center petals are uniformly wide approaching the guards, but distinctly differentiated from them, forming a globe-shaped center without collar or crown, see illustration on page 22.

Semi-Rose. Flowers in which the petals are all uniformly wide, but are loosely built, with a few pollen-bearing stamens visible or nearly concealed, see illustration on page 12.

Rose. The process of doubling is completed, all stamens fully transformed into evenly arranged wide petaloids, similar to the guards, forming a perfect rose-shaped bloom; see illustration on page 6.

COLOR DEFINITIONS

Hydrangea-pink—Light shell pink

Pale lilac-rose—A shade deeper

Mauve-rose—Light pink

Violet-rose—Medium light pink

Mauve—Deep pink

Lilac—Pale pink

Solferino-red—Medium light pink

Tyrian-rose—Brilliant red

Aniline-red—Similar to tyrian-rose

Purple-red—Dark or blackish-crimson

Dark-crimson—More purple than garnet

SOIL

Peonies like good rich soil, as they are gross feeders, but will thrive in most any soil except gravel, sand, or where water stands. They must have drainage.

PREPARING GROUND

Cut the ground as deep as you can go with a spade, ten to twelve inches, same as you would spade for vegetables; do not dig in holes; this will give the roots a chance to grow. Do not

use manure in preparing the ground unless it is very old and well-rotted; under no condition use fresh manure. If ground is flat, raise bed six inches so the water will drain from the crown. I want to impress the matter of drainage as strong as I can, as it is very important.

PLANTING TIME

The best time to plant Peonies is as soon as they have ripened off, and the eyes are well developed. The time varies; in some localities they can be planted the latter part of August. In Minnesota, we start planting about the tenth of September and plant up to freezing. If planted early in the fall, it gains you a flying start to fresh, vigorous, beautiful growth in the spring.

PLANTING HOW

Bury the whole root, eyes straight up, and when firmed in, eyes should be two to three inches below the surface. To do this you lay the root at an angle of forty-five degrees. Well, you have got down to "How to plant." Here is where I want you to take a check on yourself before you bury your dollars in the ground, and before I trust you with precious Peonies. I want you to know whether you are planting them in flat ground where they will rot, or are you giving them some drainage to carry the water away from the crown?

CULTIVATION

Must be done thoroughly up to the time buds begin to form; after that, keep the weeds down, which will be all that is necessary unless your soil bakes; if so, loosen up occasionally. The bloom will be much finer if watered once a week thoroughly up to and through blooming time, especially if the weather is dry.

WINTER PROTECTION

After the ground is frozen, remove the tops; the first two years cover with leaves, straw, or hay; after they are two years old they should be fed a little manure, or bone meal, to keep them vigorous; care should be used not to cover crown, as stems are hollow and melting snow or rain may carry water from manure into crown and rot it.

CUT FLOWERS

Peonies should be cut with long stems, as they will stand without injury, allow at east three lateral leaves on stalk left standing. Cut as color begins to show; never, by any means, allow

bud to open up on the plant for best results. After cutting, if to be used soon, place stems in water and set in shade of cold room; give stems a fresh cut every day and fresh water.

DISBUDDING

If you will carefully pinch off the lateral or side buds, the full strength of the plant will go to the main buds and they will develop into much finer blooms for you.

DIVIDING

Peonies do not quit blooming on account of age, as most people assume.

Other conditions are responsible for their failure to bloom: They may have poor drainage; they may have been planted too deep; they may be starved to death; they may be sod-bound; if none of these conditions exist, I would throw them away.

If you want to give them another chance, however, or find it necessary to change them for other reasons; it is sometimes really necessary to dig them up and divide. To do this, take a spade and get about 12 inches from the crown; go down as deep as you can dig all around, and under it, so you can pry it up, shake off the dirt, and let it lay in the sun for a couple of hours until it softens up a little, so you can handle it; they are very brittle when first dug.

Wash the root so you can see where to separate at the best advantage; now make your first cut where you find the best cleavage; it is best if you can get near the center, as you no doubt will find some rot in an old root; clean out by scraping or cutting, then divide again as many times as you can, by cutting through the root and crown as many times as the root will stand; at the same time give three to five eyes to each root; if a piece of root breaks off without an eye it is worthless.

DON'TS

Don't set Peonies in manure.

Don't set them in flat ground, where they will lay and rot.

Don't plant Peonies in sand or gravel.

Don't neglect to water them, especially if weather is dry.

Don't let them become sod bound; if ground bakes, loosen up occasionally.

Don't set the eyes deeper than 3 inches, or they will not bloom satisfactorily.

Don't plant Peonies in old Peony ground.

TWENTY-FOUR COMBINATION

I have used the utmost care in checking up every point on each variety, and selected a small combination of 24 varieties of high rating that can be sold at a low price; many of the higher-priced ones grade less; the last symposium got out by the "American Peony Society," sent out to 85 Peony growers, gives these varieties an average of 8.3 out of a possible 10 as perfect, which no Peony has reached.

Each variety having fought its way by sheer demonstrated worth and to work out in every way to fill its place in the combination.

White

9.3	Festiva Maxima,	Early	\$0.75
7.9	Madame d'Vernville,	Early .....	.75
9.0	Baroness Schroeder,	Mid-season	1.50
8.3	Monsieur Dupont,	Mid-season	1.00
8.1	Couronne d'Or,	Late .....	.75
8.5	Marie Lemoine,	Late	1.00

Blush or Light Pink

8.1	Madame Calot,	Early .....	.75
8.5	Octavie Demay,	Early	1.00
8.6	Eugenie Verdier,	Mid-season	1.00
8.1	Asa Gray,	Mid-season	1.00
8.6	Albert Crousse,	Late	1.00
8.8	Grandiflora,	Late	1.00

Medium or Dark Pink

7.6	Edulis Superba,	Early .....	.50
9.2	Monsieur Jules Elie,	Early	1.50
7.8	Modeste Guerin,	Mid-season .....	.75
8.3	Lamertine,	Mid-season	1.00
8.7	Claire Dubois,	Late	1.50
8.1	Livingstone,	Late	1.00

Red

8.5	Adolphe Rousseau,	Early	2.00
7.6	Pierre Dessert,	Early	1.00
7.8	Augustin d'Hour,	Mid-season .....	.75
8.4	Felix Crousse,	Mid-season	1.00
7.8	Marechal Vaillant,	Late .....	.75
7.2	Rubra Superba,	Late .....	.75

Combination Price, Net \$19.70

\$24.00

Giving continuous bloom through the well defined early mid-season, and late blooming periods, and to cover the four color classifications adopted by the exhibitors, and cut flower trade.

White, Light Pink, Dark Pink and Red groups, which will admit cutting long stems for the cut flower trade, exhibition, shipment, etc., making a rare combination of the best varieties grown at a low price, embracing the old tried-out favorites, a list anybody would be proud to own whether an amateur or professional.

Each variety selected to fill in its proper place to make combination complete.

The most effective way to plant the 24 Combination is en masse, planted in bed $10\frac{1}{2} \times 19\frac{1}{2}$ feet, rows 30 inches apart and 3 feet in row, leaving a border of 18 inches all around for cultivation.

THE TWELVE COMBINATIONS

Here I have divided the twenty-four combination and made two combinations, No. 20 and No. 21. They cover the different colors and early, mid-season and late blooming periods, same as the twenty-four combination and will require only half the space.

TWELVE COMBINATION NO. 20

White

9.3	Festiva Maxima	\$0.75
9.0	Baroness Schroeder	1.50
8.1	Couronne d'Or .....	.75

Light Pink

8.1	Madame Calot .....	.75
8.6	Eugenie Verdier	1.00
8.6	Albert Crousse	1.00

Dark Pink

7.6	Edulis Superba .....	.50
7.8	Modeste Guerin .....	.75
8.7	Claire Dubois	1.50

Red

8.5	Adolphe Rousseau	2.00
7.8	Augustin d'Hour75
7.8	Marechal Vaillant75

Combination Price, Net \$10.35	\$12.00
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SEMI-ROSE TYPE

TWELVE COMBINATION NO. 21

White

7.9	Madame d'Vernville	\$0.75
8.3	Monsieur Dupont	1.00
8.5	Marie Lemoine	1.00

Light Pink

8.5	Octavie Demay	1.00
8.1	Asa Gray	1.00
8.8	Grandiflora	1.00

Dark Pink

9.2	Monsieur Jules Elie.....	1.50
8.3	Lamertine	1.00
8.1	Livingstone	1.00

Red

7.6	Pierre Dessert	1.00
8.4	Felix Crousse	1.00
7.2	Rubra Superba .....	.75

Combination Price, Net \$10.35 \$12.00

BIG FOUR SELECTION

I had such good luck last year with the big four selection, I will run it again this year. No Peony collection complete without this assortment:

9.3	Festiva Maxima,	White	\$0.75
8.1	Madame Calot,	Light Pink .....	.75
7.6	Edulis Superba,	Dark Pink .....	.50
8.4	Felix Crousse,	Red	1.00

\$3.00

Postage

\$3.15

\$5.00 COLLECTION

Duchesse d'Nemours,	White	\$0.50
Queen Victoria,	White .....	.50
Umbellata Rosea,	Light Pink .....	.75
La Tulipe,	Light Pink .....	.75
Glory of Sommerset,	Dark Pink	1.00
Madame Lebon,	Dark Pink .....	.50
Missionier,	Red .....	.50
Plutarch,	Red .....	.75
Solfatare,	Yellow .....	.75

Net \$5.00 \$6.00

Descriptive List and Price of Peonies

See descriptive list and price of each variety of Peonies on following pages, written without any extravagant display of adjectives, given in their place only vital facts bearing on the roots, name of propagator and year introduced, color, type of bloom, fragrance, habit, and season of bloom.

The preceding figure denotes the rating on a scale of 10 as perfect, according to the votes cast by 85 Peony growers who are members of "The American Peony Society" in their Bulletin No. 14, issued May, 1921. This rating simplifies the selection of Peonies for the amateur, making it possible for them to select the worth-while Peonies without assistance.

- 8.5 **ADOLPHE ROUSSEAU.** (Dessert & Mechin, 1890.) Very large. Semi-double, purple-garnet, very tall, vigorous grower, dark foliage, veined red; one of the earliest and one of the darkest Peonies grown; fine for landscape effects; without doubt, one of the best early reds; one of the twenty-four Combination.....\$2.00
- 8.7 **ALBATRE.** (Crousse, 1885.) Very large, compact, globular, rose-type, milk-white, shade ivory, wide center petals, tinged lilac, edged with minute line of carmine, fragrant, very strong, vigorous, tall grower, very free bloomer, mid-season, unsurpassed by any white Peony on the list\$1.00
- 8.7 **ALBERT CROUSSE.** (Crousse, 1895.) Very large, flat, compact, bomb, rose-white, flecked crimson, fragrant, tall, erect, free bloomer, late extra, one of the 24 Combination\$1.00
- 8.1 **ASA GRAY.** (Crousse, 1886.) Large semi-rose, pale lilac, sprinkled with minute dots of deeper lilac, fragrant, medium height and habit, a very distinct Peony. One of the 24 Combination.....\$1.00
- 8.8 **ALSACE-LORRAINE.** (Lemoine, 1906.) Very large, imbricated flowers in clusters; center petals arranged like a water lily, creamy white, passing to pale yellow, mid-season\$4.50
- 7.8 **AUGUSTIN d'HOUE.** (Calot, 1867.) Syn. Marechal MacMahon, large, medium, compact, bomb, dark brilliant solferino-red, slight silvery reflex, medium, tall free bloomer, mid-season. One of the 24 Combination.....\$0.75
- 9.0 **BARONESS SCHROEDER.** (Kelway, 1889.) Very large, globular, rose-type, flesh white fading to milk-white, fragrant, tall, strong grower, very free bloomer; one of the very finest grown. One of the 24 Combination..\$1.50

- 7.6 **BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.** (Brand, 1907.) Very tall, strong grower, dark crimson-maroon, cup-shaped, center showing stamens, semi-rose type, early.....\$2.00
- 8.0 **BOULE d'NEIGE.** (Calot, 1862.) Vary large, medium, globular, compact, semi-rose type, milk white, guards and center prominently flecked crimson, tall, erect, free bloomer, extra good, mid-season.....\$0.75
- 8.7 **CLAIRE DUBOIS.** (Crousse, 1885.) Very large, globular, rose type, uniform color, clear deep violet-rose, tipped silvery white, erect, tall, strong grower, late extra good. One of the 24 Combination.....\$1.50
- 8.1 **COURONNE d'OR.** (Calot, 1872.) Large flat, semi-rose type, pure white, with a ring of yellow stamens around a tuft of center petals, tipped carmine, medium tall, splendid grower, free bloomer, late, one of the finest. One of the 24 Combination.....\$0.75
- 8.1 **DUCHESS d'NEMOURS.** (Calot, 1856.) Medium size, pure white crown, sulphur-white collar, fragrant, vigorous grower, medium height and very free bloomer, early, extra good commercial variety.....\$0.50
- 9.2 **ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING.** (Brand, 1907.) Soft shell pink at first and fading to white with crimson flashes, strong grower, late, very heavy and delightfully fragrant. The tints and shading as the buds open are of great beauty\$20.00
- 7.6 **EDULIS SUPERBA.** (Lemon, 1824.) Large loose, flat crown, bright mauve-pink, collar mixed with narrow lilac, fragrant, early, strong, upright, free bloomer, one of the best commercial pinks for decoration day. One of the 24 Combination\$0.50
- 8.9 **ENCHANTERESSE.** (Lemoine, 1903.) Rose-type bloom, creamy white, scarlet splashing, very late, fragrant, long strong stems; not a free bloomer in the south; very large size and blooms in clusters.....\$7.50
- 8.3 **EUGENE BIGOT.** (Calot, 1894.) Semi-rose, silver tipped, brilliant red, mid-season to late; very striking red; laterals seldom develop\$2.00
- 8.6 **EUGENIE VERDIER.** (Calot, 1864.) Large, medium, compact, flat semi-rose type, pale hydrangea-pink, collar lighter, center deeper, flecked crimson, fragrant, tall, erect, free bloomer, mid-season, very distinct from Eugene Verdier, extra fine. One of the 24 Combination.\$1.00
- 8.3 **EUGENE VERDIER.** (Calot, 1864.) Very large, compact, typical rose-type, pale hydrangea-pink, outer guard petals lilac-white, fragrant, very erect, rather a dwarf habit, with extra strong stems, free bloomer, late.....\$2.50



CROWN TYPE

- 8.4 **FELIX CROUSSE.** (Crousse, 1881.) Large, globular, typical bomb, brilliant red, fragrant, strong grower, medium height, free bloomer, one of the best reds. One of the 24 Combination.....\$1.00
- 9.3 **FESTIVA MAXIMA.** (Mieliez, 1851.) Very large, globular rose-type, pure white center prominently flecked crimson, outer petals sometimes faint lilac white when first opening; very strong, vigorous grower, early; the most popular white variety for cut flowers. One of the 24 Combination\$0.75
- 7.8 **GLORY OF SOMMERSET.** (Kelway, 1887.) Bomb type, mid-season, especially fine in bud just as it is bursting; a beautiful soft pink edged with silver, fragrant...\$1.00
- 8.2 **GROVER CLEVELAND.** (Terry, 1904.) Rose type, dark crimson, very large and full, strong and vigorous, very late. One of the best for cut flowers.....\$2.00
- 8.8 **GRANDIFLORA.** (Richardsons, 1883.) Very large, well shaped flower of rose type, silvery pink, very fragrant, tall strong grower, very late. One of the last Peonies to bloom. One of the 24 Combination.....\$1.00
- 8.7 **JAMES KELWAY.** (Kelway, 1900.) Very large, rose-white flower, changing to milk white, semi-rose type, tall, strong and free bloomer, fragrant, early mid-season\$2.00
- 7.9 **JEANNE d'ARC.** (Calot, 1858.) Large, globular, bomb, developing a crown, guards and center pale lilac-rose, collar cream-white, shaded with sulphur, fragrant, strong, medium height, free bloomer, mid-season, very similar to golden harvest.....\$0.50
- 8.9 **JUBILEE.** (Pleas, 1908.) Unusually large, flat, compact rose-type, uniform bluish-white, fragrant, very tall, erect, strong grower. A very distinct variety, one that has many enthusiastic admirers, mid-season.....\$8.00
- 8.8 **KARL ROSENFELD.** (Rosenfield, 1908.) Very large, globular, compact, semi-rose type, dark crimson, very strong, tall, compact grower, and free bloomer, mid-season, a brilliant and striking variety; this variety, before the American Peony Society, June, 1911, received first prize as being the best new Peony in commerce before 1908\$3.00
- 8.6 **LA FIANCEE.** (Lemoine, 1901.) Very large flowers with high crown; creamy white, occasionally flecked crimson, strong grower, mid-season.....\$4.00
- 9.1 **LADY ALEXANDRA DUFF.** (Kelway, 1902.) It is an immense, cup-shaped flower, with extremely wide imbricated petals, a delicate blush-pink shading lighter towards the center, very showy, strong and free bloomer, fragrant, the true variety is one of the very best Peonies.....\$7.00

- 9.0 **LA FRANCE.** (Lemoine, 1901.) Very large, compact, globular flower of rose type, uniform rose-white color, outer guard petals splashed crimson, tall, strong, free bloomer, very fragrant, distinct and very delicate coloring; one of the best, very late.....\$10.00
- 8.5 **LA PERLE.** (Crousse, 1886.) Very light pink, bluish center flecked carmine, very large, cup-shaped, compact, fragrant, strong, upright, mid-season.....\$1.50
- 9.9 **LE CYGNE.** (Lemoine, 1907.) Enormous, rose-type, perfectly formed, globular, milk-white bloom, petals are very incurved, exceedingly fragrant, erect, medium tall, stiff stems, free bloomer, considered the finest of its color; it is the highest rating Peony.....\$20.00
- 8.3 **LAMERTINE.** (Calot, 1860.) Syn. Gigantea. Very large, rose-type, pale lilac rose, center shaded darker, guards and collar fading to rose-white; agreeable spicy fragrance, distinct from any other; tall, free bloomer, mid-season, very attractive. One of the 24 Combination.\$1.00
- 8.3 **LA ROSIERE.** (Crousse, 1888.) Large, flat, medium compact, semi-double. Outer petals pure white, shading to cream-white in the center, mid-season.....\$1.00
- 7.5 **LA TULIPE.** (Calot, 1872.) Very large, flat, semi-rose type, lilac-white, outer guard petals striped crimson, fragrant, tall strong grower, free bloomer, mid-season; a good peony on account of growth and general habit.\$0.75
- 8.1 **LIVINGSTONE.** (Crousse, 1879.) Very large, compact, perfect rose-type, pale lilac-rose, with silver tips, center petals flecked carmine, very strong, medium height, free bloomer, extra good variety. One of the 24 Combination\$1.00
- 8.8 **LOVELINESS.** (Hollis, 1907.) Large, compact, flat flower of rose-type, uniform hydrangea-pink changing to blush-pink. A very beautiful variety, generally considered Hollis' best; first class certificate from the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, 1906. Very fragrant, very late. Price\$6.00
- 7.8 **MADAME BOULANGER.** (Crousse, 1886.) Very large, glossy tender-rose, shaded to a soft heliotrope, bordered with silvery flesh, extra.....\$1.00
- 7.3 **MADAME BUCQUET.** (Dessert, 1888.) Large, loose, semi-rose type, uniform, very dark crimson-aramath, fragrant, strong, upright medium height, free bloomer, very attractive, brilliant variety, mid-season.....\$0.75
- 8.1 **MADAME CALOT.** (Mieliez, 1856.) Very large, rose type, pale hydrangea-pink, center shaded darker, collar tinted silver, fragrant, tall, strong grower, free bloomer, early. One of the 24 Combination.....\$0.75

- 7.9 **MADAME CROUSSE.** (Calot, 1866.) Pure white with faint crimson markings, large, globular, crown type, fragrant, medium height, mid-season.....\$1.00
- 8.5 **MADAME EMILE GALLE.** (Crousse, 1881.) Large, compact, flat rose type, deep lilac-white, changing to milk-white in center, medium tall, strong grower, free bloomer, late, extra good.....\$1.00
- 8.9 **MADAME EMILE LEMOINE.** (Lemoine, 1889.) Large, globular, compact, semi-rose, milk-white, medium height, spreading habit, medium bloomer, mid-season, extra good\$1.50
- 7.9 **MADAME GEISSLER.** (Crousse, 1886.) Very large, compact, globular, imbricated rose-type, violet-rose, tipped silver, fragrant, spreading habit, mid-season, extra.\$1.00
- 7.9 **MADAME d'VERNVILLE.** (Crousse, 1885.) Large, very full, bomb, pure white, center blush when first open, fading to pure white, prominent carmine flecks, fragrant, medium height, extra free bloomer, extra good. One of the 24 Combination.....\$0.75
- 6.8 **MADAM LEBON.** (Calot, 1855.) Very large, compact, globular, rose type, cherry-pink to aniline-red, fragrant, buds very tight, opens slowly, tall, strong grower, late. Price\$0.50
- 9.4 **MADAME JULES DESSERT.** (Dessert, 1909.) Very large and beautiful flower of exquisite coloring, white shaded with buff and salmon tints, medium height, strong grower, mid-season\$7.00
- 8.7 **MARY BRAND.** (Brand, 1907.) A new crimson variety with a silky sheen, which leaves it a wonderful brilliancy. The golden stamens are scattered through the center of fringed petals, mid-season. One of the best of its color. Price\$5.00
- 9.1 **MARTHA BULLOCH.** (Brand, 1907.) Enormous rose-type bloom, shell-pink, with silvery tints, shading to deep rose pink center, fragrant, tall, strong, erect, a superb pink, mid-season\$20.00
- 8.9 **MARIE CROUSSE.** (Crousse, 1892.) Mid-season, bomb type, soft salmon pink shading to satiny lilac, enormous, full flowers on long strong stems, very fine.....\$3.00
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